



I'M
SAYING THAT
NANAHOSHI
COMMITTING
MURDER...

...IS
ABOUT AS
LOGICALLY
FLAWED
AS THAT!!!



TENTO
IS MY
FRIEND!!

I'M NOT
TURNING
MY BACK
ON HIM
NOW!

INU-SAMA!!



IF YOU VIOLATE
THE *RULES* BY
CONDUCTING
AN IMPROPER
INTERROGATION,
YOU'RE...

...THE ONE
WHO'LL BE
CONVICTED,
THAT'S ALL.

...
WEREN'T
YOU
REACHING
FOR YOUR
BATON?!

I WON'T LET
ANYONE ELSE
INTERFERE!

THAT
ONE
IS MY
PREROGATIVE...

I'VE
FINALLY
FOUNDED
MY OWN
DETECTIVE
AGENCY!

TO
TO
...

...WE'VE
FOUND A
VITAL BAT
THOUGHT
TO BE THE
WEAPON
USED ON THE
BOGOTOP!!

BOOG
WENT UPON
SEARCHING
THE SCHOOL
GROUNDS...

HIGH-
SCHOOL
HERE!







CHAPTER 18:
DOG VS. PHEASANT



I DON'T CARE IF YOU'RE THE POLICE OR ABOUT ANY RULES

A-ARE YOU FOR REAL?

GIVEN SUCH CIRCUMSTANCES, I MUST ABIDE BY THE RULES AND ARREST NAKAMOTO...

I DON'T YET KNOW THE TRUTH, BUT AS THE POSSESSOR OF THE KING NAKAMOTO'S THE ONLY ONE WHO COULD'VE COMMITTED THE CRIME

YOU'RE RIGHT, HISA-SHINE...

...BUT DURING THE CHEATING CASE, TENTO STOOD UP FOR YOU SO MUCH!



NOW DARE YOU PUT CUFFS ON A FELLOW CLASS-MATE !!!

?!







HE'S...

IT'S
ALREADY
LOOKING
FOR
REDUCTION
POINTS.

BUT THERE
ARE PLenty
OF GAMES,
SO IF YOU
USE STRIPS
OR TAPE...

HEY, DON'T
TOUCH IT.
THERE MIGHT
BE FINGER-
PRINTS.



ANYONE
COULD
LOCK OR
UNLOCK
THE DOOR
FROM THE
INSIDE.

BUT THOUGH
IT'S WIDE
OPEN, IT'D
BE DIFFICULT
TO SHOULDER A
FINGER OR
HAND THROUGH
TO LOCK IT
FROM THE
OUTSIDE.



LOOKS
LIKE YOUR
MAGNET'S
ARRIVED,
SO LET'S
GO.

OKAY



WEEDOO

WEEDOO

WELL,
THAT'S
THE
DEAL...



...FOR A
LITTLE
WHILE...

...JUST
HANG IN
THERE...



SORRY
TENTO...



I
SWEAR
I'LL
SAVE
YOU,
GO...

In cases of **Class A** Offenses the Accused is temporarily held here until the day of their Classroom Session, to prevent flight or evidence destruction.

Children's Detention Center

Two days later









YES
OR
NO
?!!!



I HAD THE
WEAPON
SOMEWHERE
INSIDE THE
SCHOOL...

I CARRIED
SOME SORT
OF GELDGE
AGAINST RIKO
SHIRATORI.

NO
...?

... NO
...



...?

SH-CHU

...?

NO.

SH-CHU

NO SIGNIFICANT
PERFORMANCE
IN FIELD
BATTLE OF
HEARTBATE

NO
...



I HAVE KILLED
SOMEONE
BEFORE THIS.

THIS IS
HORRIBLE!

SH-CHU TOTALLY
PRICEDUP THAT
I AM THE
PERPETRATOR!!

NO
...



ANSWER ME!!

THE LEGAL PREMISE IN THIS LAND IS THAT ONE IS PRESUMED INNOCENT.

YOU'RE GOING TOO FAR, KIJIMA!

AND YOU'VE GOTTEN QUITE SNARKY, INUGAMI!!!

WANT ME TO BULLY YOU AGAIN?



I'LL FILE CHARGES IN A NANO-SECOND!

GO AHEAD. BULLY ME...



INUGAMI!

SURELY
IT SEEMS
THAT THE
RUMORS
WERE
TRUE.



SUCH
RUTHLESS
ATTORNEYS
HAVE
LED TO YOUR
NICKNAME, THE
FORFEITING
PROSECUTOR.

AND IN COURT
YOU EVEN
WALK DOWN
THE JUDGES'
AND JURORS'
BOULEVARD UNTIL
THEY GIVE UP.



YOU TORMENT
AND PUSH THE
ACCUSED'S
PSYCHE TO
THE EDGE...

YOU WON'T
BE ABLE TO
PERSONALLY
SEND HIM TO
THE EXECUTION
BLOCK.

HOW COULD
YOU BECOME
ATTORNEYS?



IF YOU ASK ME,
I JUST DON'T
GET YOUR AND
GARUTOIR'S
MENTALITIES.

THERE ARE EVILS
IN THIS WORLD THAT
WOULDN'T BE BROUGHT
TO JUSTICE IF YOU'RE
NOT WILLING TO DO
CERTAIN THINGS.



Heh...

ATTORNEYS
DON'T HAVE
CONSIDERABLE
ELEMENTARY
ONE SMIT OFF
AND BECOME A
PROSECUTOR
AGAIN...
NOTHING'S
WORTH IT.



...AND
THE GIRL
WALKS...

THE ONLY
THREE
RUTHLESS
WERE IN
GARUTOIR

ALL THE
ATTORNEYS
THE PROSECUTOR
SAYS THAT
THE ONLY
THREE
RUTHLESS
WERE IN
GARUTOIR



FINGERPRINTS
LIFTED FROM
THE DOOR
WERE ONLY
IDENTIFIED
AS THOSE
OF CREATURE
KEEPERS
SHANTON AND
THE ACCUSED,
WITH NO
IRREGULARITIES.



TENT

...WITH NO EVIDENCE
OF EITHER
THE LOCK OR KEYS
HAVING
BEEN TAMPERED WITH.

THE VICTIM
(DORNO
SHANTON) WAS
DISCOVERED
INSIDE A LOCKED
ANIMAL
SHED...

YOU'VE
GOTTEN
A COPY OF THE
FORENSIC
REPORT, YEA?

DON'T FORGET,
THIS MAN HAS
CARRIED OUT
A CORPSE
SWITCH BEFORE,
SO HE'S CLEVER
ENOUGH TO COME
UP WITH SUCH
SCHEMES.

PERHAPS
HE'S
COUNTING
ON YOU TO THINK
THAT'S

IF TINTO
WERE THE
PICK, HE
WOULDN'T
LOCK THE
DOOR AND
CAST SUSPICION
UPON
HIMSELF.

I
OBJECT.

IF YOU THINK
ABOUT IT,
HANAOKA,
HAVING HAD
THE KEY, IS THE
ONLY POSSIBLE
PICK.

KUWA.

I HAVE
OTHER
EVIDENCE
THAT POINTS
TO HIM BEING
THE TRUE
GUILTY...

PLUS!

W-WHAT
ARE YOU
TALKING
ABOUT?!

EMPHATICALLY
SAY THAT THE
SUN GOES
AROUND
THE EARTH?

IN THE 21ST
CENTURY,
COULD
YOU...

HAH
...?!

CAN YOU
STATE
THAT THE
EARTH IS
FLAT?